

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method for use in a user system capable of
2 communicating over a network, comprising:
3 receiving, in the user system, a control message for a call session over the
4 network;
5 receiving one or more predetermined criteria entered by a user through a user
6 interface of the user system;
7 comparing, by a rules engine executable in the user system, information in the
8 control message against the one or more predetermined criteria; and
9 loading a web page, in the user system, based on the comparison by the rules
10 engine of information in the control message with the one or more predetermined criteria.

1 2. (Cancelled)

1 3. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein loading the web page
2 includes launching a web browser to perform a service separate from and in addition to call
3 control and status and media-related tasks.

1 4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising sending one or more
2 messages in response to the control message to establish a call session.

1 5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the control message
2 includes receiving a message according to a predetermined protocol for establishing a real-time
3 audio-based interactive communications session.

1 6. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the control message
2 includes receiving a message for establishing a real-time text-based communications session.

1 7. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the control message
2 includes receiving a message according to a Session Initiation Protocol.

1 8. (Cancelled)

1 9. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 3, further comprising receiving,
2 through the user interface, a name of a software routine corresponding to the web browser to be
3 launched.

1 10. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 9, further comprising receiving user-
2 defined data from the user interface, the user-defined data for passing to the launched web
3 browser.

1 11. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the control message is
2 performed by a protocol-aware module and comparing the information is performed by a
3 separate module.

1 12. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing the information in the
2 control message includes comparing an identifier of a caller.

1 13. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing the information in the
2 control message includes comparing an identifier of a callee.

1 14. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, wherein comparing the
2 information in the control message includes comparing information selected from the group
3 consisting of time, date, message subject, message priority, and message direction.

1 15. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising launching different ones of
2 plural routines based on the comparison of the control message information with the one or more
3 predetermined criteria.

1 16. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein receiving the control message
2 includes receiving a Session Initiation Protocol Invite request.

1 17. (Previously Presented) A user system comprising:
2 a processor;
3 a web browser executable on the processor;
4 a user interface to receive a set of one or more user-defined rules;
5 a network interface to receive a call request over a network;
6 a protocol-aware module executable on the processor to process the call request;
7 and
8 a rules processing module executable on the processor to compare information in
9 the call request with the set of one or more user-defined rules, and to invoke the web browser
10 based on comparing the information in the call request with the set of one or more user-defined
11 rules.

1 18. (Cancelled)

1 19. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 17, wherein the web browser
2 performs a task that is separate from and in addition to call control, call status, and media-related
3 services.

1 20. (Cancelled)

1 21. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 17, wherein the user interface is
2 adapted to receive a name of a software routine corresponding to the web browser to be invoked.

1 22. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 21, wherein the user interface is
2 further capable of receiving user-defined data to pass with the launching of the web browser.

1 23. (Cancelled)

1 24. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 17, wherein the call request
2 includes a Session Initiation Protocol Invite request.

1 25. (Previously Presented) An article including one or more storage media containing
2 instructions for controlling a user device in a communications system having a network, the
3 instructions when executed causing the user device to:
4 transmit a control message according to a predetermined protocol for establishing
5 a call session over the network;
6 provide a user interface in the user device to receive one or more predetermined
7 user-defined rules;
8 compare information in the control message with one or more predetermined
9 user-defined rules; and
10 load a web page in response to comparing the information in the control message
11 with the one or more predetermined user-defined rules.

1 26. (Original) The article of claim 25, wherein the predetermined protocol provides
2 for real-time interactive communications sessions.

1 27. (Original) The article of claim 25, wherein the predetermined protocol provides
2 for text-based chat sessions.

1 28. (Original) The article of claim 25, wherein the predetermined protocol includes a
2 Session Initiation Protocol.

1 29. (Currently Amended) A data signal embodied in a carrier wave and comprising
2 instructions for controlling a user device in a communications system, the instructions when
3 executed causing the user device to:

4 receive a call request according to a first protocol;
5 provide a user interface to receive one or more user criteria;
6 perform a rules check of information in the call request by ~~comparing~~ invoking a
7 rules engine to compare information in the call request with the one or more user criteria; and
8 launch a web browser based on the rules check performed by the rules engine.

1 30. (Currently Amended) A system comprising:
2 a plurality of software routines;
3 a storage device containing user-entered rules including a first set of rules and a
4 second set of rules; and

5 a controller adapted to:
6 receive one of an inbound and outbound message;
7 compare information in the message with the user-entered rules;
8 launch a first software routine [[if]] in response to the controller
9 determining that the first set of rules is satisfied; and [[to]]
10 launch a second software routine [[if]] in response to the controller
11 determining that the second set of rules is satisfied.

1 31. (Previously Presented) A user system comprising:
2 a web browser;
3 a network interface to transmit a call request for establishing a call session over a
4 network;

5 a user interface to receive user-entered rules;
6 a storage device to store the user-entered rules; and
7 a controller adapted to compare information in the call request with the user-
8 entered rules and to load a web page in the web browser in response to the comparing.

1 32. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a
2 uniform resource locator (URL) through the user interface, wherein loading the web page
3 includes opening the web page specified by the URL received through the user interface.

1 33. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 17, wherein the user interface is
2 adapted to receive a uniform resource locator (URL), and wherein the web browser invoked
3 based on the comparing is adapted to open a web page specified by the received URL.

1 34. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 17, wherein the one or more
2 user-defined rules are selected from the group consisting of time, date, message subject, message
3 priority, and message direction.

1 35. (Previously Presented) The article of claim 25, wherein the instructions when
2 executed cause the user device to further receive a uniform resource locator (URL) through the
3 user interface, wherein loading the web page includes opening a web page specified by the URL
4 received through the user interface.

1 36. (Previously Presented) The data signal of claim 29, wherein the instructions
2 when executed cause the user device to further receive a uniform resource locator (URL) through
3 the user interface, wherein launching the web browser includes opening a web page specified by
4 the URL received through the user interface.

1 37. (Previously Presented) The data signal of claim 29, wherein the one or more user
2 criteria are selected from the group consisting of time, date, message subject, message priority,
3 and message direction.

1 38. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 31, wherein the user interface is
2 adapted to receive a uniform resource locator (URL), and wherein the web page loaded in
3 response to the comparing is specified by the received URL.

- 1 39. (Previously Presented) The user system of claim 31, wherein the user-entered
2 rules are selected from the group consisting of time, date, message subject, message priority, and
3 message direction.